

AGENCY STRATEGIC PLAN

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ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

FUNCTIONAL AREA: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

AGENCY STRATEGIC PLAN APPROVAL FORM

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Agency Name	Arkansas State Board of Nursing
Agency Mission Statement: To protect the public and act as their advocate by effectively regulating the practice of nursing.	

AGENCY GOAL 1:

To ensure to the public that individuals attaining and maintaining an Arkansas nursing license, permit or certification have the knowledge, skills and abilities to practice safely.

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Agency Name		Arkansas State Board of Nursing
Program		Board of Nursing Operations
Program Authorization		A.C.A. §17-87-101 et seq.
Program Definition: Funds-Center Code: <u>277</u>		The staff of the Arkansas State Board of Nursing provides support to the Board of Nursing members in protecting the health and safety of the public by: (1) investigating complaints against nurses; (2) inspecting educational programs which lead to nursing licensure; (3) providing quality assurance in the issuance of licenses, permits and certifications; (4) monitoring continuing education of nurses; (5) responding to issues relative to the practice of nursing and; (6) promulgating regulations to implement the statutes regarding nursing practice.
AGENCY GOAL(S) #	1	
Anticipated Funding Sources for the Program:		Special Revenue from receipts generated by fees for licenses, permits, and certifications issued and civil penalties imposed by the Board of Nursing.

GOAL 1: (Sub-Funds Center Code: 277GOAL1)

To manage a quality, cost efficient system of licensure and regulation that ensures existing legal standards for nursing practice and education are upheld and enforced.

OBJECTIVE 1: (Sub-Funds Center Code: 277G1OBJ1)

To ensure application processing and licensing for 100 percent of all qualified applicants; to guarantee that 100 percent of written complaints are investigated and resolved in accordance with the Nurse Practice Act and Administrative Procedures Act or are appropriately referred to other regulatory agencies; to ensure that 100 percent of nursing education programs are in compliance with the Board of Nursing rules.

STRATEGY 1: (Sub-Funds Center Code: 277A)

Maintain an office and staff to operate a system of licensing, examination, and credentials verification for the practice of nursing; administer an effective system of enforcement and adjudication including investigation and complaints resolution; operate an effective approval process for nursing education programs.